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GENERAL AND REVENUE SECRETARIAT.

Serial Nos. 7, 20, 48 to 49

Part B for Oct., 1935

SUBJECT.

Action taken on the Confidential Reports of Officers of the Fores- Dept- for the year 1934-35—

WD 0418—GPB—22,500—29-8-36

Confidential reports on the character and work of Gazetted Officers of the Forest Department for 1934-35.

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Messrs.--

1. M. Machaya,
2. P. Krishnaswami Rao,
3. H. S. Narayana Rao,
4. C. Abdul Jabbar,
5. K. Revanna,
6. C. H. Eagles,
7. S. Venkatavaradaiengar,
8. Mohamed Pir,
9. M. G. Venkata Rao,
10. B. Madhava Rao,
11. M. A. Muthanna,
12. D. Narasimhamurthi Rao,
13. H. V. Rangaswamiengar,
14. N. Venkataramiah,
15. H. S. Rangachar,
16. Dr. Krishnaswami,
17. B. P. Ramakrishna,
18. Dr. D. A. Rama Rao,
19. Mohamed Ahamed,
20. J. P. Mascarenhas,
21. K. R. Venkata Rao,
22. A. V. Kesvaiengar,
23. L. Srinivasa Murthi,
24. H. A. Govinda Rao,
25. P. A. Mohan Ram,
26. B. T. Thimmarayappa,
27. M. Basappa,
28. M. V. Venkataramaiya,
29. Y. S. Chennigaraya.

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Strictly Confidential.

CIRCULATION SHEET OF ~~THE~~ YEARLY CONFIDENTIAL REPORTS.

1. Department	FOREST DEPARTMENT.
2. Year	1934-35.
3. Number of confidential reports due	29.
4. Number received	29.
5. Numbers unfavourable in which passages have been marked	Nos. 9, 13, 15, 17, 19, 21, 23, 25, 26, & 27.
6. Names of officers concerned in No. 4	(Vide list put up.)

Through Development Secretary to Govt.

Submitted to Dewan through the Members of Council for favour of perusal.

Chief Secretary to Government,

DEWAN'S OFFICE
10 AUG. 1935
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The remarks marked A in the report re: Nos 9, 19, 23, & 25 may be communicated to the Officers concerned. Re: Messrs Ranganadha Ranganathan & Thirumarajappa. These are strong adverse remarks & the Conservator the Chief Conservator in respect of the Tanjore Dept defalcations. The responsibility of these officers in regard to their offices is under examination. Meantime re, Mr Thirumarajappa it is

D. S. N. put up.

Dewan.)

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views what the D.F.O. units about his
work in his present charge, the Conservator
would be asked to contribute an Essay &
submit a report

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Submitted to His Highness.

I beg to submit herewith for His Highness' gracious perusal the confidential reports on the character and work of the Gazetted Officers of the Forest Department for the year 1934-35.

Action will be taken separately with regard to the officers unfavourably reported upon, on the lines suggested by the First Member of Council in minute dated 8th August 1935.

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Mirza M. Ismail
Dewan.
10-8-35

Record of Cases submitted for the Orders of His Highness the Maharaja.

Subject.

Cconfidential reports on the character and work of the Gazetted Officers of the Forest Department for the year 1934-35.

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Order.

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General and Revenue
Secretariat

SUBJECT:- Confidential Reports on the work and character of the Gazetted Officers of the Forest Deptt. for the year 1934-5

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31. All urgent or confidential files returned with His Highness' orders may in the absence of instructions or indications to the contrary, be ordinarily circulated to the Members of Council for perusal after the issue of orders.

33. The Secretaries concerned should see that orders in the cases referred to above are issued at once and that the files are returned immediately after to the Chief Secretary for circulation to the Members.

34. In all other cases, the files will first be circulated to the Members of Council at Head-quarters and then sent to the Secretariat concerned for the issue of orders.

Circulated to Members of Council for perusal of His Highness' orders before/after issue of orders.* (*Vide Rules* 31, 33 and 34 of the Subsidiary Rules for the conduct of business of Council in the Manual of Council Rules and Procedure.)

J. Chamier
Chief Secretary to Government.

Through the Secretary to Government,

.....Department.

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FIRST MEMBER OF COUNCIL. by 17/8

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SECOND MEMBER OF COUNCIL. 8/02 17/8

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Confidential Reports of the Forest dept

General and Revenue Secretariat. | File No. 5 of 1935 | [App. F. III-2

Subd with a draft for approval

ZMR 19/8/35 CPR

CPR 20/8/35

For perusal

CPR 20/8/35
Dew Secy.

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No. 329 Dy 21.8.35

The Chief Conservator of Forests.

Requests to take action on the lines indicated in respect of officers adversely reported upon and ~~requests~~ to ask the Conservator to institute an enquiry and submit a report re: his

Hrs. N.T. Thirumaraya[illegible]

Action is separately under Consideration (in the Ft Section) regarding the defalcations in the Tarikere depot.

If appd, this will be removed from 'Hrs' recorded here.

Dy 18/9/35

Await receipt of orders re: Tarikere cases. A report is due by 1st Sept as para 6 of the letter dt. 21.8.35 to the Chief Conservator

Subd Orders have been issued re: the irregularities in the timber depot at Tarikere. (Vide flag ff for the G.O. in Ft 121-36-37 put up)

May the Chief Conr of Fts be reminded here for a reply to our letter of 21.8.35?

Dy 29/7/36

Draft reminder put up for consideration

CPR 23/9/36 Dew. Secy)

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NOTE—Contn. Sheet.

Secy No 749 Ft 23.9.36

C3 File No. 5 of 193 5

General and Revenue Secretariat

D.O. No 1:8-373-35 dt 7.10.36

From The Chief Conservator of Forests in Bygone

Forwards copies of correspondence received from the Conservator of Forests, Shimoga with reference to the work of Sri Nimmanagappa to-gether with the explanation furnished by him on the remarks of the D.F.O and states that as the work of Sri Nimmanagappa has since his transfer from Sahadawadi div[n] been satisfactory the matter may be dropped. 48

The Chief Conservator further says that useful action will be taken as regards advances made by Sri Nimmanagappa and the question of their adjustment will be settled early.

The Conservator in his letter of 18.3.36 Flag 'C' examines every one of the observations made by the D.F.O, in his Confidential Report Flag 'B', in the light of the explanations furnished by Sri Nimmanagappa and opines that the work turned out during the year was not

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Report re the work of Rao Nirmalanandagiri
Sub Asst Conservator.

General & Revenue Secretariat. | File No. 35 of 1936 | [App. F. III–2

DEWAN'S OFFICE
27 OCT. 1936
No. 1167

OFFICE OF THE
SECOND MEMBER OF COUNCIL
13 OCT. 1936
NO. 2188

Serial No.

Though method & quality were perhaps wanting. The Conservator adds that as he has since been transferred from Narasimharajapura Subdiv., the matter may be dropped. The Chief Conservator agrees with this view. Submitted for orders.

Dom
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Secnd Member

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26.10.36

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49 D.O. No 1073 of 28.10.36 from Chief Conservator ~~forests in forwarding~~ ~~application of~~ Statistics [illegible] under the circumstances explained. Dom does not wish to pursue the matter.

NOTE—Contn. Sheet.

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D. O. No....Confi...3.

MR. B. V. RAMAIENGAR, B.A.,
CHIEF CONSERVATOR.

OFFICE OF THE CHIEF CONSERVATOR OF FORESTS
IN MYSORE.

Bangalore, ...5th.....Aug.....1935.

Dear Sir,

CB 173
CS. 5-35-7

I enclose herewith for the kind information of Government the Confidential Reports on the work and character of 29 Gazetted Officers of the Department.

Yours sincerely,

B. V. Ramaiengar

K.V.Anantaraman, Esq., B.A.,

Chief Secretary to the Government
of H.H. the Maharaja of Mysore,

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20. J. P. Mascarenhas,
21. K. R. Venkata Rao,
22. A. V. Kesvaiengar,
23. L. Srinivasa Murthi,
24. H. A. Govinda Rao,
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27. M. Basappa,
28. M. V. Venkataramaiya,
29. Y. S. Chennigaraya.

Confidential. No. 379/C/5-35-20

Dear Sir,

With reference to the confidential reports on the character and work of the officers of the Forest Department for the year 1934-35, received with your letter No.Coff.3 dated 5th August 1935, I am desired to state that action may be taken on the lines indicated below of the undermentioned officers adversely reported upon:-

Name of Officer.	Adverse Remarks.	Action to be taken.
1. Mr. M. G. Venkata Rao, D. F. O. Bhadravati Division.	" . . . He is hasty in his judgment and has yet to gain experience in the management of a Division." (Intd)M. M.	May be communicated to the officer.
2. Mr. Mohamed Ahamed, Sub Asst.Conservator, Shankar Range.	" I am afraid he is to put in more zeal and enthusiasm in his work." (Intd.)B.V.R. 3.8.35.	May be communicated to the officer.
3. Mr. L.Srinivasa Murthi, Asst. to D.F.O., Bhadravati, and Creosote Plant Officer.	" As officer in charge of the Creosote Plant, his management is not up to the mark. He should personally attend to the several duties of the plant and dispose them of promptly" (Intd)M.M.	May be communicated to the officer.
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I am to add, however, that in view of what the District Forest Officer says regarding the work of Mr.B.T.Thimmarayappa in his present charge, the Conservator of Forests may be asked to institute an enquiry and submit a report.

Yours sincerely,

B. V. Ramiengar, Esqr., B.A.,
Chief Conservator of Forests in Mysore.

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~~20th~~ August 5

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Yours sincerely,

B. V. Ramiengar, Esqr., B.A.,
Chief Conservator of Forests in Mysore.

749 CB 5-35

Dear Sir,

I am directed to refer to the last para of the last minute regarding the D.O. letter No 379 CB 5-35-20 dated 21.8.35 ~~calling for a report~~ regarding the work of Mr B.T. Thimma Raya/for the year 1934-35, and submit a ~~to be submitted~~ report.

Govt will be glad to know what action has been taken in the matter.

Yours faithfully

Sd/-

The Chief Conservator of Forests

Reg (C)

requesting that the Conservator of Forests might be asked to institute an enquiry with reference to the remarks made in the Confidential report

My dear Machaiya,

I am desired to invite reference to the last para of Mr. K.V.Anantaraman's D. O. letter No.379/C.B.5-35-20 dated 21st August 1935 requesting that the Conservator of Forests might be asked to institute an enquiry with reference to the remarks made in the confidential report regarding the work of Mr. B.T.Thimmarayappa for the year 1934-35, and submit a report. Government will be glad to know what action has been taken in the matter.

Yours Sincerely,

M. Machaiya, Esqr., B.A.,
Chief Conservator of Forests in Mysore.

CB 591

D. O. No. I.8-373-35/Encl 6(19 pages)

Mr. M. MACHAYA, B.A. (Oxon.),
CHIEF CONSERVATOR.

CONFIDENTIAL

CHIEF CONSERVATOR OF FORESTS
IN MYSORE.

Bangalore, 7th October 1936.

CB 5-35-48

Dear Sir,

Adverting to your D.O. letter No. 749/C.B.5-35 dated the 23rd ultimo inviting reference to the last para of Mr. K.V.Anantaraman's D.O. letter No. 379/C.B.5-35-20 dated 21st August 1935 requesting that the Conservator of Forests, Shimoga might be asked to institute an enquiry with reference to the remarks made in the confidential report re: the work of Mr. B.T.Thimmarayappa for the year 1934-35, and submit a report and enquiring what action has been taken in the matter, I am enclosing herein copies of the marginally noted letters and their enclosures in original received from the Conservator of Forests, Shimoga, and to state that the Conservator of Forests has dealt with in detail each remark made by the District Forest Officer, Bhadravati, in the confidential report of Mr. B.T.Thimmarayappa in his first letter noted in the margin and I fully agree with the views expressed by him therein viz., that the remarks of the District Forest Officer in the Confidential report are mostly based on personal observations but the work of Mr. Thimmarayappa was, however, on the whole not slack during the year. Mr. Thimmarayappa has since been transferred from the Bhadravati Division and his work has been described as very satisfactory by the District Forest Officer, Mysore. I recommend that the matter may be dropped.

1. Letter No. Pr. 21-4-35 dated 18th March 1936;
2. Letter No. C.88-1262-34 dated 29th/May/3rd June 1936.

As regards advances made by Mr. Thimmarayappa needful action will be taken and the question of their adjustment will be settled early.

The enclosures may be kindly returned when done with.

Yours sincerely,

M. Machaya

M.Venkatanaranappa, Esq., B.A.,
Secretary to the Government of Mysore,
Development Department, Bangalore.

D. O. No.....

Mr. M. MACHAYA, B.A. (Oxon.),
CHIEF CONSERVATOR.

CHIEF CONSERVATOR OF FORESTS
IN MYSORE.

Bangalore,.....193

Conservator's letter No.Pr. 21-4/35 dated 18th March 1936.

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With reference to your Confidential No. 3-35 dated the 4th September last, I have the honour to forward herewith the explanation of Mr. B.T.Thimmarayappa, Sub Division Officer, Narasimharajapura, on the remarks made by the District Forest Officer, in the Confidential Report for the year 1934-35 together with the latter's letter No. 1206 dated the 9th January 1936 containing his comments thereon.

The first remark of the District Forest Officer, is that Mr. Thimmarayappa devoted most of his time to fuel and charcoal work near his Head Quarters, but the work here was carried out in a most unmethodical manner and money advanced heavily, some of which have not been recovered at the end of June 1935.

The strain in which Mr. Thimmarayappa has offered his explanation on ~~hi~~ this point is itself enough to reveal the fact that he must have devoted most of his time to fuel and charcoal work. That in spite of it, the works should have been carried out in an unmethodical manner takes away much of the credit that Mr. Thimmarayappa would have otherwise deserved for having successfully supplied the large allotment of firewood and charcoal given to the Narasimharajapura Sub Division during the year. On page 7 of his explanation, this officer has himself admitted that about Rs.500/- out of the advances made by him will prove irredoverable. He has indirectly attributed this to the alleged dislocation of the organisation set up by him as a result of certain changes ordered by the District Forest Officer in the allotment of work. In view of the comments made by the District Forest Officer in this allegation, I am inclined to think that the whole objection of Mr. Thimmarayappa in offering this lengthy explanation seems to be to shirk his responsibility for the advance that might prove irrecoverable.

Apart from the comments made by the District Forest Officer about the indiscriminate advances made by the Sub Division Officer and his Range Officer, to the same persons working in one and the same locality, the fellings conducted in the District Jungle and Kusgal coupes 2 and 3 were observed to be irregular by my predecessor vide, extract from his tour notes herein enclosed.

The next remark of the District Forest Officer in the Confidential report is that Mr. Thimmarayappa should have paid more attention to forest works such as timber exploitation etc. which has suffered in consequence and that he paid little attention to K.G.F., supply with the result that only 5,812 c.ft., were supplied against an allotment of 10,000. While admitting that the actual supplies fell short, Mr. Thimmarayappa has attributed it to certain instructions issued by the District Forest Officer to the Range Officer, Chikagrahara, instructing him not to undertake advance fellings to meet the monsoon supplies. This explanation is irrelevant as observed by the District Forest Officer inasmuch as his instructions prohibited advance fellings only and did not mean that the allotted quantity for 1934-35 was not required from the Sub Division.

The next remark of the District Forest Officer is that the Teak plantation of 100 acres raised near Hosahalli under the personal supervision of Mr. Thimmarayappa has been a complete failure. Mr. Thimmarayappa has explained that the failure was due to the subsequent neglect in weeding and fire protection. The District Forest Officer has stated that the plantation which was formed in June 1934 was given the first weeding in August 1934 and the second weeding in October 1934 was not done in 150 acres of it as he observed on personal inspection that the whole area required replanting~~ing~~. Reference to the fire-occurrence of March 1935 made by Mr. Thimmarayappa in his explanation is irrelevant as the failure in the plantation work had been observed long before that. When I inspected the plantation in July 1934 weeding was in progress. As stakes were absent, it was not possible to follow the lines and ascertain results in the yet unweeded portion. The Sub Division Officer was asked to put stakes at least 25' apart to indicate the sown lines. That the area of 100 acres sown over was not successful is a fact as stated by the District Forest Officer. Failure

may have been due to various causes such as bad seed, unsuitability of the area for sowing in place of planting etc. The failures cannot be conclusively said to be due to Mr. B.T.Thimmarayappa's bad work.

The fourth remark of the District Forest Officer is about unsatisfactory office work and insufficient scrutiny of accounts.. Efficiency of Sub Division Offices in general is not up to mark and requires improvement.

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The last remark of the District Forest Officer is about the non-submission of diaries by Mr. Thimmarayappa for three months. The weekly diaries were submitted by him after a long delay and this has been duly noticed by stopping his T.A. In conclusion, I have to state that while the remarks of the District Forest Officer in the Confidential report are mostly based on facts, Mr. Thimmarayappa has for a long time entertained the feeling that he has been unreasonably found fault with by the District Forest Officer judged from the quantity of work turned out, his work on the whole was not slack during the year, though method and quality were perhaps wanting. As he has since been transferred from Narasimharajapur Sub Division, I propose that the matter may be dropped.

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Conservator's letter No. C.88-1262-34 dated 3-6-1936.

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With reference to para 2 of your letter No. I.8-373-35 dated the 30th March 36 calling for a statement showing the details of advances etc., outstanding against the Sub Division Officer, Mr. B.T.Thimmarayappa and his Range Officers till the date of his relief from the Bhadravati Division, I have the honour to forward herewith, in original, the statement received from the District Forest Officer and to state as follows:-

The statement includes advances made and recovered by Messrs. B.T.Thimarayappa and Gulam Rasool and that too in Narasimharajapura Sub Division only. The District Forest Officer has not explained why the advances made by other Range Officers who were serving under Mr. Thimmarayappa have not been included in the statement. A number of advances made by the same Sub Division Officer while he was in charge of the Tarikere Sub Division have also proved irrecoverable. These also have not been included in the statement submitted by the District Forest Officer. I have pointed out these omissions to him and called for a complete statement.

The question of fixing up responsibilities for the irrecoverable advances of Tarikere Sub Division is already under correspondence and I am calling for some further information from the District Forest Officer to pass final orders. The advances made by Mr. Thimmarayappa in that Sub Division and now reported to be irrecoverable are noted on the margin. These together with the items of Narasimharajapura Sub Division as per details noted in the District Forest Officer's statement will make a complete list of fuel advances outstanding against Mr. Thimmarayappa personally in the Bhadravati Division.

1. Mylarappa	100	0	0
2. Kempadurga	29	0	0
3. Honnali Era	38	7	8
4. Poojari Ella	19	12	0
5. P.Manjanaika and others	91	0	0
6. Khwaja	15	0	0.

Regarding the advances pertaining to Narasimharajapura Sub Division, the District Forest Officer has promised to submit a detailed report after studying the position at the colse of the year.

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true copies)SS

M. Hanumanthaiya

Chief Conservator of Forests.

1073/ CS.5-85-49 07.11.1936

Dear Sir,

With reference to the correspondence ending with your D.O.letter No.I.8-373-35/ dated 7th October 1936, forwarding a report regarding certain deficiencies referred to in the confidential report on the work of Mr.B.T.Thimmarayappa, Sub Assistant Conservator for the year 1934-35, I am desired to state that in the circumstances explained in your letter and its enclosures, Government do not wish to pursue the matter.

The enclosures received with your letter are herewith returned.

Yours sincerely,

M. Machaya, Esq.,B.A.,
Chief Conservator of Forests
in Mysore, Bangalore.

28th October 6

1073/C.B.37-38-39
Encl(s)

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